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Funeral of Mrs. Wilson.

The funeral of Mrs. John Wilson which was held from the Methodist church Saturday morning at eleven o'clock was largely attended. Mrs. Wilson was born in Clinton county, Iowa, July 23, 1853. She was married to John Wilson at Ogden, Iowa, on March 10, 1880. One child, Eva, came to the happy couple. In the spring of 1886 she came to this county with her husband locating at what is now Marple. A woman of much energy and education she was a favorite with all whom she numbered as acquaintances. Suffering from cancer she lately went to Lincoln to submit to an operation, but was unable to withstand the shock. Her husband and daughter were with her at life's close, which camp peacefully and which she met with calm resignation. Many friends throughout the county will be shocked to hear of her death as they had hoped for her recovery.

May Pole Entertainment.

Mrs. Minnie Wiker and Miss Nellie Morris are training the young people for the May pole entertainment to be given in the Opera House, Saturday evening, May 2. Half of the proceeds will be donated to the sister's academy. Following is the program.

- 1—Grand March by fifty children.
- 2—Song, "I'll be back in a Minute but I've got to go now."
- 3—Two-Step by entire dancing class.
- 4—Umbrella dance—Agnes Elmore.
- 5—Song, "I'm Afraid to Come Home in the Dark" by Maurice Nelson.
- 6—Bon Ton Minuet, Virginia Broome, Agnes Elmore, Ruth Morris, Marie Carey.
- 7—Butterfly Dance, Marie Dismor.
- 8—Manitou, Entire Class.
- 9—Mirror Dance, Hannah Coutant, Marguerite Harris.
- 10—Little Fisher Maiden, May Newberry.
- 11—Grandma's Minnet—LaVaughn Moulton.
- 12—Three-Step by Class.
- 13—Tambourine Dance, Alice Morris, Helen Broome, Frances Nolan, Nellie O'Donnell.
- 14—Both May Pole Dances.

T. F. Golden is going to try a new drouth resisting forage plant on his ranch, northwest of town, known as "Austrian" Salt Sage, which promises to yield an unmentionable number of tons to the acre. He will report results in due time.—Crawford Courier.

All Odd Fellows are requested to meet at their hall Sunday, April 26, at seven o'clock, to attend church in a body. By Order of Committee.

Farmers and stockmen remember the sale of Jacks by H. C. Holt and sons, of Kearney, at Alliance, Saturday, May 2, commencing at one o'clock p. m.

A little girls club known as the "Silly Seven," met last Saturday afternoon with Nadina Hibbs. Delicious refreshments were served, and it is needless to say that the little folks had a good time.

Holt & Sons will buy horses and mules at Alliance on Saturday, May 2, date of the Jack sale. Will buy from one to four hundred head, all kinds, especially mules from four months to forty years old. Be sure and bring them in as, as you can cash them.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hucks are Hemingford people in Alliance today. Fred has recently built himself a fine house and barn on his farm and is making other improvements. Fred is one of our best citizens and we are pleased to note his prosperity, of which he is most deserving.

Aloyah chapter No. 185, O. E. S., chose the following officers at the annual election Tuesday evening: Worthy matron, Eva M. Tash, associate matron, Emma Beckwith; worthy patron, Rev. G. C. Jeffers; conductress, Mamie Mathews; associate conductress, Nellie A. Holsten; treasurer, Helen Rowan; secretary, Anna J. Davis.

Mrs. Barnett entertained twelve of her lady friends last evening, cards being the principal game and refreshments was served. She also entertained the ladies of the Prysbyterian church in afternoon. Mrs. Barnett is a royal entertainer and no doubt those present at both functions had a pleasant time.

The Sunbonnet drill will be given both nights at the Presbyterian Bazaar. The baby show will be Wednesday afternoon the 29th from 3 to 5 o'clock. On Wednesday evening there will be a rare bargain sale of backelors. Don't miss it. Attractive booths, useful and fancy articles, home made candies, ice cream, cake, sandwiches and coffee.

Pete Rodgers telephoned to Alliance Wednesday to John Hague and announced the fact that Vera Hague is quite sick and that he was wanted in Bridgeport.—Bridgeport Blade.

W. B. McQueen and W. R. Bowman of Hay Springs came over Wednesday in the latter's auto, returning last evening. Mr. McQueen is a well known banker of Sheridan county and if a new bank is established in Alliance, of which there is talk, it is probable that he will be interested therein. Mr. Bowman is a druggist and a brother of Dr. Bowman of this city.

Sunday at the Baptist church. G. C. Jeffers, pastor. Sunday School at ten o'clock. Subject of morning discourse, "Perfection of Character." Evening sermon, "The Three Links." The evening sermon will be for the benefit of the Odd Fellows. Midweek prayer service Thursday evening. A welcome to all services.

The Hastings Republican says "It is indeed strange that after going to all the expense and trouble of placing drinking fountains on the street corners they should all be dry.aturday the city was crowded with people and scores unable to find a convenient place to get a drink of water. Open up the fountain, please." We think so, too. A town that votes out saloons should at least provide drinking water. Alliance will always do that whether the town is "wet" or "dry."

Nate Hart of Lead City was in Alliance for a few days last week. His new building is now completed and while he has made no definite arrangements as to the leasing of the same we understand that the building will soon be occupied by a mercantile firm. We are informed that a local druggist tried to secure the building but was unable to do so owing to the fact that Mr. Hart had let an option on the building to other parties. It is also said that a Lincoln haberdasher is desirous of securing the place for the purpose of opening a general outfitting emporium about May. That the building will soon be occupied is a certainty.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS
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Ann Fitzsimmons to John Weisael, s o ne and n of se of 30, 25-48, \$1000.
Carl W. Roberts to Isaac Rockey, ne and e of nw of 21 and nw of 27 and e of 28, 29-49, \$2000.

How a Marine Slipped His Cable.

[Original.]

Ensign Peabody should have been in the navy a hundred years ago, when the men were treated more like brutes than human beings. Instead of today, when every sailor, whether officer or seaman, has his rights. But there are natural tyrants who are by nature tyrannical, and Peabody was one of them, though he kept within the regulations, using insult instead of committing a violation of an officer's restrictions.

Tom Spencer was a marine on board a United States cruiser. He was a good soldier, always spick and span and was well educated. The reason for his enlisting in the marine corps was that he hoped some day by good conduct to secure a commission. For some reason or other Peabody conceived a dislike for Spencer. Some said the reason was that Peabody had been appointed to the academy from the gutter and it had failed to make him anything but a gutter snipe, while Spencer had enlisted from the parlor and could only be a gentleman. Be this as it may, whenever Peabody got a chance to put the screws on to Spencer he did it in as irritating and disagreeable fashion as it could be done. There was a fire smoldering in Spencer's breast which nothing but the mutiny laws could keep from breaking out into a volcanic eruption.

There had been a liberty party on shore and some of the leave men had got into a fight with the natives—the cruiser was lying off the coast of Peru—and when they returned Peabody was officer of the deck. Spencer was one of them and gave evidence of his part in the fracas by having his uniform torn to shreds. Peabody seized upon this to storm at him and, his hatred getting the better of his discretion, used a common opprobrious epithet in connection with Spencer's mother. Like a flash the marine's right arm went out, and the ensign went sprawling on the deck.

Here was a case of mutiny. In some of the world's navies even in time of peace to strike an officer means death. The penalty is not so severe in the United States navy, but it means imprisonment. Spencer was put in irons and charges preferred against him.

It was in the hot season, and there is no telling how long a time may elapse before a man may be brought before a court martial. It was probable that Spencer would either be sent home under guard for trial or would be held till the cruiser went north. It was too hot to keep him between decks for an indefinite time, and he was given the liberty of the ship during the day, only being put into the brig at "pipe down." The ship's master at arms was made responsible for him and watched him to see that he didn't get away to shore.

It was a grim prospect for the prisoner. The insult he had received would be no palliation for his offense. He might have preferred charges against Peabody, but on no account could he have taken the law into his hands. Instead of a commission, he would doubtless get at the least calculation dishonorable discharge and several years at some naval prison. He was the picture of woe as he lounged about and an object of sympathy with his shipmates, who hated Peabody.

Spencer, who was in the social scale far above his comrades, had but few intimate companions. His only chum was Bob Sawin, whose father was a captain of a merchant vessel. Bob was a great scapegrace and generally conceded to be the most reckless man on the cruiser.

The trouble on land had subsided and liberty parties were again going ashore. They usually left the ship at four bells in the evening. One afternoon Sawin put in an application for liberty. There was a young ensign aboard who had been ill ever since the cruiser had left United States shores, and on this very afternoon he had returned to duty and was officer of the deck. It was his part to call off the names of the liberty party.

When Sawin's name was called, Spencer, well got up in his best uniform for shore leave, stepped forward, with a "Here, sir," saluted, went down the ladder and took his place in the launch. The ensign didn't know him from any other marine. There was suppressed surprise on the faces of the men who knew well enough that Spencer was not Sawin, but never a man spoke, and when the party was checked off the cutter bore them, Spencer sitting in the stern sheets, to the dock. Meanwhile Bob Sawin was hiding under a tarpaulin on the fo'c's'le. There he remained till darkness spread a friendly mantle far more to the purpose, then let himself stealthily down by the anchor chains, dived, swam under water as far as he could hold his breath, came to the surface and swam to shore. The next morning he returned with the party in Spencer's uniform.

Spencer as soon as he found himself ashore made for the mountains and within a few days was lost to any searching party that might be sent for him. He had some back pay stored away in his pockets, by means of which in time he returned to the United States. He was not missed aboard ship till the master at arms hunted for him at "pipe down" to put him in the brig for the night.

When the Spanish-American war came on Spencer enlisted in the army, distinguished himself and came back a captain. Either before or after the war he succeeded in getting his naval slate spanged off, so that he could begin in United States service again. This he did through a relative who was a congressman.

GEORGE DISNEY MILLS.

Millinery for Hemingford.

Mrs. Holdridge of Alliance will be at the Frohnappel store on Saturday, 25, with a select line of millinery goods. The ladies of Hemingford and vicinity are cordially invited to call and inspect this stock.

From the Crawford Tribune.

Ex-Senator Bresee came up from Alliance Monday morning, enroute to Harrison. The senator expects to start for California inside of a couple of weeks, to see Uncle Sam's battleship fleet. Mrs. Bresee will accompany him on the trip.

Sheriff Mote came up on Sunday morning, but True and his partner, the colored men who had the shooting scrap with the soldiers Tuesday night of last week, had flown.

There will be seven applications for liquor license in Crawford this year, just the number that Alliance lost in the recent election, and one more than Crawford had last year.

Mrs. Anna Fanning returned this morning from Madison, Wis., where she accompanied her sister, Miss Lottie Worley, several weeks ago, who is attending the state university at that place.

The Democrat is pleased to say that H. F. Carson, familiarly known in Buffalo county as "Hose" Carson, will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for congress from the Sixth district. "Hose" is one of the cleanest men in the district, and he is known to almost every voter in Buffalo county as a whirlwind campaigner. He was county superintendent of Buffalo county for two terms and was one of the best public officials the county ever had. He was a delegate to the democratic state convention from North Platte, where his home now is. Every democrat in the district who knows him, and all others who love a good man, cannot do otherwise than favor his nomination. He can do the right thing with Col. Kinkaid.—Kearney Democrat.

Tell Us About It.

This paper can give all the local news only as our friends lend us their co-operation. If anyone visits you, if you contemplate leaving town, if you see or hear or do anything out of the ordinary day's routine, tell us about it, that we may tell the public.

For Sale.

Steam plow outfit, disc and mould-board plow, also tanks and necessary fixtures. Inquire of J. C. McCorkle. 19-3w*

For Sale—Cream separator.—L. E. Bye.

Notice.

The starting of numerous fires in the alleys and neglect of same before extinguished is a very careless practice and may be the cause of a disastrous fire in the city. The public is hereby cautioned not to set out a fire while the wind is blowing, nor to leave one burning at any time without watching same. Anyone violating this order will be arrested and prosecuted.

C. C. SMITH, Mayor.

Attest: W. O. BARNES, Clerk.

S. C. Reck will quote you prices on all kinds of mill work, tanks, screens, Storm sash and repairwork.

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Go to Parly's Bakery for your Pies and Cakes.

See F. E. Reddish for loans on real estate. 27-tf

New comers and others changing place of residence should not fail to give street and house number to Wm. James when wishing quick delivery on coal. 46-tf

Dr. Allen, dentist. Opera house blk

Just received, a car of famous John Deere & Velie buggies that will be sold at a sacrifice or will trade for horses. 51-tf J. R. JORDAN.

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FOR SALE—Horse, buggy and harness. Call at this office.

WANTED—Boy, 16 to 20 years of age, to learn Baker's trade. Good inducements to right one.—Parley Bakery.

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For Rent—NE 1/4 Sec. 15-2-48.—O'Keefe Land Co.

For Sale.

Dark brown Percheron stallion four years old. Weight 1600 pounds. Guaranteed a breeder, and of gentle disposition. May be seen at what was formerly the Baxter farm. For further particulars inquire there or at Phillips Livery Barn. 17-tf.

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Take Notice.

All personal taxes for the years 1887 to 1907 are being forwarded to date and if not paid, distress warrants will be served after Feb. 1st, and collected. Save yourself extra costs by settling at once. By order of County Board. Fred Mollring, Treasurer.

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